



## **PORT COLBORNE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC.**

### **Implementation of an AE or Minor Team**

1. In May, PCMHA can submit to the OMHA our request to ice an AE team or Minor team.
2. An interim coach must be selected to begin the season. This coach must be aware that until tryouts are completed, we will not know if the AE team will in fact be possible.
3. All players interested in participating in a rep team must attend a general Major/Minor/AE tryout.
4. A minimum of 35 players must be in attendance with the intention of playing rep, not just for additional ice time.
5. All players must try out for the major team first. Only players released from the major team will be allowed to try out for the AE or Minor team. The rationale being that players should not be choosing the minor team when he or she has the ability level to play on the major team.
6. The Major team and the Minor or AE team combined must keep a minimum of  $16 + 16 = 32$  players.
7. The division with an AE/ Minor team will have one full ice practice per team and full travel team fee will be collected from the players from both teams.

The following is the process to determine the feasibility of an Additional Entry team within a certain division at the request of the parents.

**EXECUTIVE MUST:**

#### **STEP #1**

Projected registration must be a minimum of 68 players in a division for the upcoming season before the process is allowed to continue.

#### **STEP #2**

Executive must be able to identify a minimum of 34 (2 x 17) of the registrants as players who qualify and would be interested in tryouts for that age group and assure that at least 51% of the registrants would remain in Local league.

#### **STEP #3**

Evaluate the competitiveness of the AE team in the Belcot loop

**STEP #4**

Evaluate the impact of pulling out 34 players and creating two or three local league teams with the remainder.

**STEP # 5**

Examine the ice availability issue.

**STEP #6**

Consider the PRO and CONs and the recommendation of the committee. Open discussion at an executive meeting.

**STEP #7****Executive vote**

Once the decision is taken- every member of the executive is responsible for explaining the rational of the decision speaking openly to the members about the process and the reasons for the decision. We must come out a united front.

**If the decision is yes, the executive will move ahead with the AE / Minor team following the outline procedure.**